Nursing Courses

Courses

NURS 2300. Conceptual Base-Nursing Pract.
Conceptual Base for Nursing Practice (3-0) The focus of this course is on relationships of the natural and behavioral sciences which form the basis for nursing practice and on nursing history, with emphasis on contemporary and future perspectives. Restricted to major: PNRG.
Department: Nursing
3 Credit Hours
3 Total Contact Hours
0 Lab Hours
3 Lecture Hours
0 Other Hours

NURS 2303. Intro to Nursing Practice.
This course focuses on an introduction to professional nursing. Emphasis is placed on the challenging role of the nurse in contemporary society and the differentiated knowledge and practice expectations of the baccalaureate degree in nursing. In addition, there will be scholarly dialogue about the knowledge and skills needed to support patients in health promotion and disease preventions as they strive to reach their optimal level of wellness.
Department: Nursing
3 Credit Hours
3 Total Contact Hours
0 Lab Hours
3 Lecture Hours
0 Other Hours
Corequisite(s): NURS 2502, NURS 2407

NURS 2307. Pharmacotherapeutics.
This course emphasizes knowledge of pharmacology that includes the pharmaceutical phase, pharmacokinetics, and pharmaco-dynamics. Implications for nursing related to the administration of medications is incorporated. Prerequisites: Departmental approval.
Department: Nursing
3 Credit Hours
3 Total Contact Hours
0 Lab Hours
3 Lecture Hours
0 Other Hours

NURS 2401. Wellness Perspectives.
Wellness Perspectives (3-3-0) Focus on promoting health across the life span and on screening activities designed to identify the risk of illness and/or injury. Prerequisites: ENGL 1312 and MATH 1320 each with a grade of "C" or better and Sophomore standing. Laboratory fee required.
Department: Nursing
4 Credit Hours
6 Total Contact Hours
3 Lab Hours
3 Lecture Hours
0 Other Hours

NURS 2402. Pathophysiology.
This course focuses on the altered processes of human physiology. Major emphasis of this course is on the study of pathophysiological processes and their impact on body systems. Alterations in health are studied along with the associated clinical manifestations.
Department: Nursing
4 Credit Hours
4 Total Contact Hours
0 Lab Hours
4 Lecture Hours
0 Other Hours
NURS 2407. Pharmacology for Nursing.
Pharmacology for Nursing This course provides an introduction to the principles of pharmacology, including pharmacokinetics, pharmacodynamics, pharmacotherapeutics, potential adverse medication reactions and interactions. Emphasis is placed on drug classifications and nursing implications related to the safe administration of medication to patients across the lifespan. Performing dosage calculations using various methods are introduced.
Department: Nursing
4 Credit Hours
4 Total Contact Hours
0 Lab Hours
4 Lecture Hours
0 Other Hours
Corequisite(s): NURS 2303, NURS 2502

NURS 2502. Pathophysiology.
Pathophysiology: This course focuses on the altered processes of human physiology. Major emphasis of this course is on the study of pathophysiological processes and their impact on body systems. Alterations in health are studied along with the associated clinical manifestations.
Department: Nursing
5 Credit Hours
5 Total Contact Hours
0 Lab Hours
5 Lecture Hours
0 Other Hours
Major Restrictions:
Restricted to majors of NURS
Corequisite(s): NURS 2303, NURS 2407

NURS 3180. Selected Topics in Nursing.
Selected Topics in Nursing (1-0) Selected topics of current interest. May be repeated when topic varies. Restricted to major: NURS. Prerequisite: Department approval.
Department: Nursing
1 Credit Hour
1 Total Contact Hour
0 Lab Hours
1 Lecture Hour
0 Other Hours

NURS 3205. Nursing Inform. & Resea. Util..
Nursing Informatics and Research Utilization: This course provides an overview of nursing as it relates to the provision of evidence based practice. The use of information management systems in the collection, management and communication of patient data as well as the maintenance of patient privacy and confidentiality is highly stressed. This course requires departmental approval.
Department: Nursing
2 Credit Hours
2 Total Contact Hours
0 Lab Hours
2 Lecture Hours
0 Other Hours
Prerequisite(s): (NURS 3214 w/C or better AND NURS 3401 w/C or better AND NURS 3604 w/C or better)
Corequisite(s): NURS 3300, NURS 3709
NURS 3214. Evidence Based Research.  
Evidence Based Research: This course is designed to promote clinical decision making, based on evidence, through the exploration and integration of current scientific evidence, use of clinical reasoning, identification of patient preferences, and assessment of available resources. Focus is placed on the analysis and synthesis of evidence to answer a clinical question relevant to nursing practice and patient centered care.  
**Department:** Nursing  
**2 Credit Hours**  
**2 Total Contact Hours**  
0 Lab Hours  
2 Lecture Hours  
0 Other Hours  
**Major Restrictions:**  
Restricted to majors of NURS  
**Prerequisite(s):** (NURS 2303 w/C or better AND NURS 2502 w/C or better ) AND (NURS 2407 w/C or better)  
**Corequisite(s):** NURS 3604, NURS 3401  

NURS 3280. Selected Topics in Nursing.  
Selected Topics in Nursing (2-0) Selected topics of current interest. May be repeated when topic varies. Restricted to major: NURS. Prerequisites: NURS 3302 and department approval.  
**Department:** Nursing  
**2 Credit Hours**  
**2 Total Contact Hours**  
0 Lab Hours  
2 Lecture Hours  
0 Other Hours  
**Major Restrictions:**  
Restricted to majors of NURS  

NURS 3300. Mental Behavioral Health Nurs.  
Mental Behavioral Health Nursing This course focuses on the care of patients across the lifespan experiencing cognitive, mental and behavioral disorders. Emphasis is placed on management of patients facing emotional and psychological stressors as well as promoting and maintaining the mental health of individuals and families. Concepts of crisis intervention, therapeutic communication, anger management, and coping skills are integrated throughout the course. Community-based care and support services are addressed. Clinical experiences provide the student an opportunity to apply theoretical concepts and implement safe patient care to patients in selected mental health settings. Prerequisites: NURS 3205, NURS 3401, and NURS 3604 each with a grade of "C" or better and/or department approval.  
**Department:** Nursing  
**3 Credit Hours**  
**5 Total Contact Hours**  
3 Lab Hours  
2 Lecture Hours  
0 Other Hours  
**Major Restrictions:**  
Restricted to majors of NURR, NURS  
**Prerequisite(s):** (NURS 3214 w/C or better ) AND (NURS 3401 w/C or better ) AND (NURS 3604 w/C or better)  
**Corequisite(s):** NURS 3709, NURS 3205  

NURS 3302. Health Assessment.  
Health Assessment (2-3-0) This course focuses on a systematic approach to the bio-psycho-social health assessment of individuals across the life span. Practicum in the college laboratory and in the community health settings. Restricted to major: NURR and NURS. Prerequisite: Admission to the upper-division.  
**Department:** Nursing  
**3 Credit Hours**  
**5 Total Contact Hours**  
3 Lab Hours  
2 Lecture Hours  
0 Other Hours
Foundations of Nursing Practice (3-0-0) Focus on principles, theories, historical background, current trends and concepts related to nursing practice
with special emphasis on growth and development throughout the life span, therapeutic communication and the principles of teaching and learning.
Prerequisites: NURS 3307, NURS 3401, and NURS 3402, each with a grade of C or better. Laboratory and Nursing major fee required.
Department: Nursing
3 Credit Hours
3 Total Contact Hours
0 Lab Hours
3 Lecture Hours
0 Other Hours

NURS 3307. Pharmacodynamics-Nrs Implicn.
Pharmacodynamics and Nursing Implications (3-0-0) This course emphasizes knowledge of pharmacology which includes the pharmaceutical phase,
pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics. Implications for nursing related to the administration of medications is incorporated. Restricted to majors:
NURR and NURS. Prerequisites: Admission into the upper-division Nursing Program, NURS 3401 and NURS 3402 each with a grade of "C" or better
and department approval. NURS 3401 and NURS 3402 may be taken concurrently with NURS 3307. Nursing major fee required.
Department: Nursing
3 Credit Hours
3 Total Contact Hours
0 Lab Hours
3 Lecture Hours
0 Other Hours

NURS 3310. Nursing Care of Ill Children.
Nursing Care of Ill Children (3-0) This course offers further knowledge of growth and development, family theory, pathophysiology and skills used in
caring for the ill child and his family. Prerequisite: Department approval.
Department: Nursing
3 Credit Hours
3 Total Contact Hours
0 Lab Hours
3 Lecture Hours
0 Other Hours

NURS 3313. Human Adap to Pathophysiology.
Human Adaptation to Pathophysiology (3-0) Major emphasis of this course is on the study of pathophysiological processes and their impact on the body
systems, with special attention to disease or trauma-induced alteration of regulatory mechanisms within the human organism. Prerequisites: BIOL 2311,
BIOL 2111, BIOL 2313, BIOL 2113, and department approval.
Department: Nursing
3 Credit Hours
3 Total Contact Hours
0 Lab Hours
3 Lecture Hours
0 Other Hours

NURS 3314. Evidence-Based Research.
Evidence-Based Research (3-0) This course is designated to promote clinical decision making, based on evidence, through the exploration and
integration of current scientific evidence, use of clinical reasoning, identification of patient preferences, and assessment of available resources. Focus is
placed on the analysis and synthesis of evidence to answer a clinical question relevant to nursing practice and patient centered care. Major Restriction:
NURS. Prerequisite: Admission to the upper-divisions Nursing Program and/or department approval. Nursing major fee required.
Department: Nursing
3 Credit Hours
3 Total Contact Hours
0 Lab Hours
3 Lecture Hours
0 Other Hours

NURS 3315. Independent Study.
Independent Study (0-0-3) Variable credit hour(s) of independent study. Prerequisite: Department approval.
Department: Nursing
3 Credit Hours
3 Total Contact Hours
0 Lab Hours
0 Lecture Hours
3 Other Hours
NURS 3318. Nurs Care of the Aging Client.  
Nursing Care of the Aging Client (3-0) This course provides an opportunity to gain increased knowledge and skill in the management of the health and nursing care of the elderly. The focus is on an holistic approach to aging processes as a basic for nursing practice. Prerequisite: Junior standing or department approval.  
Department: Nursing  
3 Credit Hours  
3 Total Contact Hours  
0 Lab Hours  
3 Lecture Hours  
0 Other Hours  

NURS 3319. Cult Perspectives on Hlth Care.  
Cultural Perspectives on Health Care (3-0) This course builds upon concepts and issues related to culture and health. Major focuses are on values and attitudes about caring, health, illness, and treatment as related to diverse cultural groups. Prerequisite: Department approval.  
Department: Nursing  
3 Credit Hours  
3 Total Contact Hours  
0 Lab Hours  
3 Lecture Hours  
0 Other Hours  

NURS 3330. Contem Nsg Appr to End of Life.  
Contemporary Nursing Approaches to End of Life. The course is designed to introduce end of life issues. The content is coupled with evidence-based nursing practice principles relating to care of the client and their support system at the end of life. A major focus will be the development of individual self-awareness concerning end of life issues and decisions. The learner will be introduced to the interdisciplinary team approach to care and the role of the professional nurse as a member of the team. Restricted to Nursing Majors. Departmental approval required.  
Department: Nursing  
3 Credit Hours  
3 Total Contact Hours  
0 Lab Hours  
3 Lecture Hours  
0 Other Hours  

NURS 3380. Selected Topics in Nursing.  
Selected Topics in Nursing (3-0) Selected topics of current interest. May be repeated when topic varies.  
Department: Nursing  
3 Credit Hours  
3 Total Contact Hours  
0 Lab Hours  
3 Lecture Hours  
0 Other Hours  

NURS 3401. Health Assessment.  
This course provides the framework for preparing students to perform comprehensive health assessments on patients across the lifespan. Emphasis is placed on taking a thorough health history, performing physiological, psychological, sociologic, cultural, and spiritual assessments, as well as identification of stressors and health risks. Laboratory experiences provide an opportunity to practice assessment skills on adult patients. Restricted to major:NURS. Prerequisites: Admission to the upper-division Nursing Program, NURS 2303, NURS 2407, and NURS 2402, each with a grade of "C" or better. Nursing major fee required.  
Department: Nursing  
4 Credit Hours  
6 Total Contact Hours  
3 Lab Hours  
3 Lecture Hours  
0 Other Hours  
Prerequisite(s): (NURS 2303 w/C or better AND NURS 2407 w/C or better AND NURS 2502 w/C or better)  
Corequisite(s): NURS 3604, NURS 3214
NURS 3402. Human Adaptation to Pathophysiology.
Human Adaptation to Pathophysiology (4-0) Major emphasis of this course is on the study of pathophysiology processes and their impact on the body systems, with special attention to disease or trauma-induced alteration of regulatory mechanisms within the human organism. Prerequisites: Admission to the upper-division Nursing Program, NURS 3307 and NURS 3401 each with a grade of "C" or better. NURS 3307 and NURS 3401 may be taken concurrently with NURS 3402. Nursing major fee required.
Department: Nursing
4 Credit Hours
4 Total Contact Hours
0 Lab Hours
4 Lecture Hours
0 Other Hours

Focus on linking previous knowledge and skills to comprehensive assessments and priority interventions in professional nursing. Prerequisites: Departmental approval and acceptance into the LVN-BSN program. May be taken concurrently with NURS 3402, NURS 3307, and NURS 3303. A minimum grade of C is required for successful completion of this course. Restricted to sophomores, juniors, and seniors enrolled in the LVN-BSN program.
Department: Nursing
4 Credit Hours
6 Total Contact Hours
3 Lab Hours
3 Lecture Hours
0 Other Hours

NURS 3418. Nursing Care of Aging Client.
This course explores current issues and concepts related to aging from the perspective of health care providers. Theories of aging and concepts such as health, culture, safety, economics, and the environment are addressed. The overall goal is to facilitate understanding of older persons and their unique needs in order to provide holistic care and create a better quality of life for the aging client through collaborative practice. Prerequisite: Departmental approval. Restricted to Major of Nursing; Restricted to class of JR.
Department: Nursing
4 Credit Hours
4 Total Contact Hours
0 Lab Hours
4 Lecture Hours
0 Other Hours

Major Restrictions:
Restricted to majors of NURR, NURS

Classification Restrictions:
Restricted to class of JR

NURS 3502. Health Assessment.
Health Assessment (3-6-0) Focus on evaluation of the health status of individuals across the life span, including obtaining a health history and performing a physical-psycho-social assessment. Prerequisite: NURS 2401, with a grade of C of better, and department approval.
Department: Nursing
5 Credit Hours
9 Total Contact Hours
6 Lab Hours
3 Lecture Hours
0 Other Hours
NURS 3604. Fundamentals of Nurs Practice.
Fundamentals of Nursing Practice (3-9-0) This course provides an introduction to nursing care of the individual, and roles of the nurse in micro-and macrosystems, as well as profession related and patient care concepts. Emphasis is placed on the knowledge and skills needed to provide safe, quality care. The theoretical foundation for basic nursing skills is presented and the student will demonstrate these skills in laboratory and clinical settings. Application of the nursing process provides a decision-making framework to assist students in developing effective clinical judgement skills. Prerequisites: NURS 2303, NURS 2407, NURS 2402 and NURS 3401 with a grade of "C" or better. Nursing major fee required.

Department: Nursing
6 Credit Hours
12 Total Contact Hours
9 Lab Hours
3 Lecture Hours
0 Other Hours
Prerequisite(s): (NURS 2303 w/C or better ) AND (NURS 2407 w/C or better ) AND (NURS 2502 w/C or better)

Corequisite(s): NURS 3401, NURS 3214

NURS 3605. Nurs Care Cli-Adt Periop Stres.
Nursing Care of Clients Adapting to Perioperative Stressors (3-6-0) This course provides an opportunity to gain further knowledge and skill in the nursing care of clients who require surgical intervention. Focus is on the complete Perioperative cycle of care. Clinical practicum is provided in pre-operative care and health teaching, participant/observer during the intraoperative phase, and post-operative care. Prerequisite: Department approval. Nursing Major fee required.

Department: Nursing
6 Credit Hours
9 Total Contact Hours
6 Lab Hours
3 Lecture Hours
0 Other Hours

NURS 3606. Health Promotion-Rural Environ.
Health Promotion in Rural Environments (3-6-0) This course explores health care problems of individuals, families, groups and communities. Clinical practicum focuses on methods for promotion, protection, maintenance and restoration of health in rural settings. Prerequisite: Department approval. Laboratory fee required and Nursing Major Fee required.

Department: Nursing
6 Credit Hours
9 Total Contact Hours
6 Lab Hours
3 Lecture Hours
0 Other Hours

NURS 3608. Nurs Care of Child & Child Fam.
Nursing Care of Childbearing and Childbearing Families This course provides an integrative, family-centered approach to the care of mothers, newborns, and children. Emphasis is placed on normal and high-risk pregnancies, normal growth and development, family dynamics, common pediatric disorders and the promotion of healthy behaviors in patients. Clinical experiences provide the student an opportunity to apply theoretical concepts and implement safe patient care to mothers, newborns, and children in selected settings. Prerequisites: NURS 3314, NURS 3313, NURS 3709 with a grade of C or better. NURS 4714 may be taken concurrently with NURS 3608.

Department: Nursing
6 Credit Hours
12 Total Contact Hours
9 Lab Hours
3 Lecture Hours
0 Other Hours
Prerequisite(s): (NURS 3314 w/C or better ) AND (NURS 3313 w/C or better ) AND (NURS 3709 w/C or better ) AND (NURS 4714)

Corequisite(s):
NURS 3609. Family Situational Stressors.
Family Situational Stressors (3-9-0) Focus on nursing care of clients experiencing situational and long term stressors. Content will address biological, physiological, and psychosocial elements. Prerequisites: NURS 3303, and NURS 3604, each with a grade of C or better. NURS 3608 may be taken concurrently with NURS 3609.

Department: Nursing
6 Credit Hours
12 Total Contact Hours
9 Lab Hours
3 Lecture Hours
0 Other Hours
Prerequisite(s): (NURS 3303 w/C or better ) AND (NURS 3604 w/C or better)

NURS 3702. Theories/Prins/Skills Basic.
Theories, Principles ans Skills Basic to Nursing (3-8) An introduction course in the art and science of nursing. The opportunity to learn and practice beginning roles and functions of the professional nurse is provided in clinical practicum in the College laboratory and in acute care facilities. Restricted to major: NURR and NURS. NURS 3702 may be taken conconcurrently with NURS 3307 and NURS 3703. Prerequisites: Admission to the upper-division, NURS 3302, NURS 3313, and NURS 2300. Laboratory fee required.

Department: Nursing
7 Credit Hours
11 Total Contact Hours
8 Lab Hours
3 Lecture Hours
0 Other Hours

NURS 3703. Nurs Promot/Mainten of Healthn.
Nursing in Promotion and Maintenance of Health (3-8) Application of the nursing process with emphasis on adaptation and promotion of wellness of individuals throughout the life continuum. Clinical practicum provided in the College laboratory, preschool, senior citizen and family settings. NURS 3703 may be taken concurrently with NURS 3307 and NURS 3702. Restricted to majors: NURR and NURS. Prerequisites: NURS 2300, NURS 3302, and NURS 3313. Laboratory fee required.

Department: Nursing
7 Credit Hours
11 Total Contact Hours
8 Lab Hours
3 Lecture Hours
0 Other Hours

NURS 3709. Adult Health Nursing I.
Adult Health Nursing I This course focuses on th ecare of adult and older partients with health alterations that require medical and/or surgical intervention. Emphasis is placed on the care of patients with alterations in selected body systems: endocrine, immune /hematology, integumentary, gastrointestinal, musculeskeletal, and reproductive. Fluid, electrolytes, oncology, and perioperative concepts are addressed. Concepts of patient centered care, cultural sensitivity, informatics, safe practice, and professionalism are integrated throughout the course. Clinical experiences provide the student an opportunity to apply theoretical concepts and implement safe patient care to adults and older adults in a variety of settings. Prerequisites: NURS 3205, NURS 3401, NURS 3604, Departmental approval.

Department: Nursing
7 Credit Hours
NaN Total Contact Hours
0-.5 Lab Hours
0-4 Lecture Hours
0-2.5 Other Hours
Prerequisite(s): (NURS 3214 w/C or better ) AND (NURS 3401 w/C or better ) AND (NURS 3604 w/C or better)

Corequisite(s): NURS 3300, NURS 3205

NURS 3770. Nurs Care: Indiv/Fam Exper III.
Nursing Care of Individuals and Families Experiencing Illness an Disability (3-8) This course emphasizes application of the nursing process to individuals and their families to protect, restore, maintain and promote health. Clinical practicum is provided in a variety of health care agencies caring for clients throughout the age continuum. Prerequisites: NURS 3702, NURS 3703, and NURS 3307. Laboratory fee required.

Department: Nursing
7 Credit Hours
11 Total Contact Hours
8 Lab Hours
3 Lecture Hours
0 Other Hours
NURS 3771. Nurs Care-Wom/Fam Childbearing.
Nursing Care of Women and Families During the Childbearing Period (3-8) The focus is on the nursing care of pregnant women, newborns, and multi-cultural family dynamics throughout the childbearing period. Clinical practicum is provided in College laboratory, labor and delivery, post-operative and newborn units in acute and in community settings. Prerequisites: NURS 3770 or concurrently. Fees required.
Department: Nursing
7 Credit Hours
11 Total Contact Hours
8 Lab Hours
3 Lecture Hours
0 Other Hours

NURS 4033. Senior Seminar.
Senior Seminar The purpose of this course is to provide the student the opportunity to function as contributing member of the interprofessional team and collectively apply the knowledge, practice, and skills acquired in previous courses. Students will provide care to caseload of patients that is safe, evidence-based, patient-centered, and focused on promoting positive patient outcomes. Emphasis is placed on demonstration of professional behaviors, communication that supports information exchange, collaboration and conflict mediation, ethical comportment and the ability to effectively use leadership skills.
Department: Nursing
0 Credit Hours
0 Total Contact Hours
0 Lab Hours
0 Lecture Hours
0 Other Hours

Major Restrictions:
Restricted to majors of NURS

Classification Restrictions:
Restricted to class of SR

Prerequisite(s): (NURS 4608 w/C or better AND NURS 4714 w/C or better)

Corequisite(s): NURS 4412

NURS 4133. Senior Seminar.
The purpose of this course is to provide the student the opportunity to function as a contributing member of the inter-professional team and collectively apply the knowledge, practice, and skills acquired in previous courses to an intensive clinical practicum. Emphasis is placed on the clinical experience and preparation for the N-CLEX exam which is required for employment as an RN post graduation.
Department: Nursing
1 Credit Hour
1 Total Contact Hour
0 Lab Hours
1 Lecture Hour
0 Other Hours

Prerequisite(s): (NURS 4608 w/C or better AND NURS 4714 w/C or better)

Corequisite(s): NURS 4511, NURS 4412, NURS 4306

NURS 4300. Contemporary Professional Nsg.
This course focuses on the study of professional nursing with emphasis on the challenging role of the nurse in contemporary society and the differentiated knowledge and practice expectations of the baccalaureate degreed nurse. Prerequisite: Departmental approval.
Department: Nursing
3 Credit Hours
3 Total Contact Hours
0 Lab Hours
3 Lecture Hours
0 Other Hours
NURS 4303. Nursing Informatics & Technology.
NURS 4303: Nursing Informatics & Technology (3-0) This course provides an overview of nursing informatics as it relates to the provision of safe, quality patient centered care. Emphasis is placed on the establishment and provision of evidence based practice. The use of information management systems in the collection, management and communication of patient data as well as the maintenance of patient privacy and confidentiality is highly stressed. Prerequisites: Departmental approval.

**Department:** Nursing

**3 Credit Hours**

**3 Total Contact Hours**

0 Lab Hours

3 Lecture Hours

0 Other Hours

**Major Restrictions:**
Restricted to majors of NURR

NURS 4306. Transition to Professional Pr.
This course facilitates the transition of the student to the role of a professional nurse in the microsystem of a work unit that is part of a healthcare related macrosystem. Emphasis is placed on contemporary issues and management concepts, as well as skills of delegation, conflict management, and leadership. Legal and ethical issues are discussed with a focus on personal accountability and responsibility. Standards of practice and the significance of functioning according to state regulations and statutes are analyzed.

**Department:** Nursing

**3 Credit Hours**

**3 Total Contact Hours**

0 Lab Hours

3 Lecture Hours

0 Other Hours

**Prerequisite(s):** (NURS 4608 w/C or better AND NURS 4714 w/C or better)

**Corequisite(s):** NURS 4511, NURS 4133, NURS 4412

NURS 4307. Nurse as a Coordinator of Care.
Nurse as a Coordinator of Care (3-0) Focus on the professional nurse(s) role as coordinator of care in a complex health care environment. Prerequisites: NURS 3608 and NURS 3609 each with a grade of C or better and/or department approval.

**Department:** Nursing

**3 Credit Hours**

**3 Total Contact Hours**

0 Lab Hours

3 Lecture Hours

0 Other Hours

**Prerequisite(s):** (NURS 3608 w/C or better) AND (NURS 3609 w/C or better)

Principles and Practices of Public Health (3-0) Introduction to basic public health principles and practices applied to community health settings. Prerequisites: NURS 3608 and NURS 3609, each with a grade of C or better.

**Department:** Nursing

**3 Credit Hours**

**3 Total Contact Hours**

0 Lab Hours

3 Lecture Hours

0 Other Hours

NURS 4309. Nurs Research and Statistics.
Nursing Research and Statistics (3-0) Focus on basic concepts and process of research and statistics. Prerequisite: NURS 2401 with a grade of “C” or better.

**Department:** Nursing

**3 Credit Hours**

**3 Total Contact Hours**

0 Lab Hours

3 Lecture Hours

0 Other Hours
NURS 4313. Nrsg Care Persons w/Psyc Illns.
Nursing Care of Persons with Psychiatric Illness (2-3-0) Examination of human responses to psychiatric illness in relation to physiological, psychological, social, cultural and environmental concepts. Includes application of the nursing process to improve health outcomes in caring for persons with psychiatric illness. Prerequisites: NURS 3608 and NURS 3609 each with a grade of "C" or better and/or department approval.

Department: Nursing
3 Credit Hours
5 Total Contact Hours
2 Lecture Hours
0 Other Hours
Prerequisite(s): (NURS 3608 w/C or better) AND (NURS 3609 w/C or better)

Department: Nursing
3 Credit Hours
3 Total Contact Hours
0 Lab Hours
3 Lecture Hours
0 Other Hours

NURS 4400. Contemp Professional Nursing.
Contemporary Professional Nursing (4-0) The focus of this course is the study of professional nursing with emphasis on the changing role of the nurse in a contemporary society and in health care delivery. The impact of health legislation, accountability, ethical decision making, and the use of research process are studied. RNs in the RN-BSN or RN-MSN programs only. Prerequisite: Department approval.

Department: Nursing
4 Credit Hours
4 Total Contact Hours
0 Lab Hours
4 Lecture Hours
0 Other Hours

NURS 4401. Iss & Probms-Leadership & Mgt.
Issues and Problems in Leadership and Management (4-0) The course focuses on analysis of health care costs, budgeting problems, quality assurance and comprehensive nursing/health care. Restricted to major: NURR. Prerequisites: Department approval.

Department: Nursing
4 Credit Hours
4 Total Contact Hours
0 Lab Hours
4 Lecture Hours
0 Other Hours

NURS 4402. RN to BSN Role Transition.
RN to BSN Role Transition This focuses on the study of professional nursing. Emphasis is placed on the challenging role of the nurse in contemporary society and the differentiated knowledge and practice expectations of the baccalaureate degree nurse. In addition, there will be scholarly dialogue about the knowledge and skills needed to support patients in health promotion and disease prevention as they strive to reach their optimal level of wellness. Prerequisites: This course is considered the entry course for the RN-BSN program. All University Core and Residency hours are to be completed prior admission to this course. Departmental approval required. Concurrent enrollment allowed with NURS 4303, NURS 4414, and/or NURS 4502.

Department: Nursing
4 Credit Hours
4 Total Contact Hours
0 Lab Hours
4 Lecture Hours
0 Other Hours

Major Restrictions:
Restricted to majors of NURR, NURS

Classification Restrictions:
Restricted to class of JR,SR

Prerequisite(s): (NURS 4303 w/C or better) AND (NURS 4414 w/C or better) AND (NURS 4502 w/C or better)
NURS 4407. Trans to Prof. Nursing Practic.
Transition to Professional Nursing Practice This course facilitates the transition of the student to the role of a professional nurse in the microsystem of a work unit. Emphasis is placed on contemporary issues and management concepts, as well as skills of delegation, conflict management, and leadership. Legal and ethical issues are discussed with a focus on personal accountability and responsibility. Standards of practice and the significance of functioning according to state regulations and statuses are analyzed.

Department: Nursing
4 Credit Hours
4 Total Contact Hours
0 Lab Hours
4 Lecture Hours
0 Other Hours

Classification Restrictions:
Restricted to class of SR

Prerequisite(s): (NURS 4511 w/C or better AND NURS 4512 w/C or better)

NURS 4412. Senior Practicum.
Senior Practicum The purpose of this course is to provide the student the opportunity to function as a contributing member of the inter-professional team and collectively apply the knowledge, practice, and skills acquired in previous courses. Students will provide care to a caseload of patients that is safe, evidence-based, patient-centered, and focused on promoting positive patient outcomes. Emphasis is placed on demonstration of professional behaviors, communication that supports information exchange, collaboration and conflict medication, ethical comportment and the ability to effectively use leadership skills. Prerequisites: Departmental approval. NURS 4608 and NURS 4714 with C or better.

Department: Nursing
4 Credit Hours
4 Total Contact Hours
0 Lab Hours
0 Lecture Hours
4 Other Hours

Prerequisite(s): (NURS 4608 w/C or better AND NURS 4714 w/C or better)

Corequisite(s): NURS 4133, NURS 4511, NURS 4306

NURS 4414. Evidence Based Research.
Evidence-Based Research This course is designed to promote clinical decision making, based on evidence, through the exploration and integration of current scientific evidence, use of clinical reasoning, identification of patient preferences, and assessment of available resources. Focus is placed on the analysis and synthesis of evidence to answer a clinical question relevant to nursing practice and patient centered care.

Department: Nursing
4 Credit Hours
4 Total Contact Hours
0 Lab Hours
4 Lecture Hours
0 Other Hours

NURS 4500. Community Health Nursing.
Community Health Nursing (4-1) Focus on application of the nursing process to promote wellness and manage occurrence of health care needs of individual families and community. Includes practicum. RN's in the RN-BSN or RN-MSN programs only. Prerequisite: Department approval.

Department: Nursing
5 Credit Hours
5 Total Contact Hours
1 Lab Hour
4 Lecture Hours
0 Other Hours

NURS 4501. Multidisciplinary Health Care.
Multidisciplinary Health Care (4-1) Focus on primary health care with emphasis on multidisciplinary approach to individuals, families, and community problems. Planning for management of varied health problems within the community is emphasized. RN's in the RN-BSN or RN-MSN programs only. Includes practicum. Prerequisite: Department approval.

Department: Nursing
5 Credit Hours
5 Total Contact Hours
1 Lab Hour
4 Lecture Hours
0 Other Hours
NURS 4502. Nursing Leadership & Management.
This course focuses on the knowledge and skills needed to be a nursing leader who can function as a contributing member of the interprofessional team. The development of transformational leadership skills and management techniques needed to coordinate the provision of safe, quality patient-centered care are highlighted. Emphasis is placed on professional behaviors, communication that supports information exchange, collaboration and conflict mediation, ethical comportment and the establishment and provision of evidence-based practice. (Application experience required).

Department: Nursing
5 Credit Hours
5 Total Contact Hours
0 Lab Hours
5 Lecture Hours
0 Other Hours

NURS 4503. Nursing in the Community.
This course is intended to introduce students to nursing care of individuals, families, groups, communities, and populations. Principles and practices of community health are discussed. Emphasis is placed on assessing factors that influence the health of populations and the use of evidence-based practices in the delivery of spiritually and culturally appropriate health promotion and disease prevention interventions. The role of the nurse as advocate for social justice is explored. (Application experience required). Prerequisites: NURS 4300, NURS 4303, NURS 4414, and NURS 4502, each with a minimum grade of "C"; and departmental approval.

Department: Nursing
5 Credit Hours
5 Total Contact Hours
0 Lab Hours
4 Lecture Hours
1 Other Hour

Major Restrictions:
Restricted to majors of NURR

Prerequisite(s): (NURS 4300 w/C or better AND NURS 4303 w/C or better AND NURS 4414 w/C or better AND NURS 4502 w/C or better)

NURS 4511. Population Focused Care.
Population Focused Care This course is intended to introduce students to nursing care of patients, families, aggregates, and communities. Principles and practices of community health are discussed. Emphasis is placed on assessing factors that influence the health of populations and the use of evidence-based practices in the delivery of spiritually and culturally appropriate health promotion and disease prevention interventions. The role of the nurse as advocate for social justice is explored. Prerequisites: Departmental approval. NURS 4608 and NURS 4714.

Department: Nursing
5 Credit Hours
5 Total Contact Hours
0 Lab Hours
3 Lecture Hours
2 Other Hours

Prerequisite(s): (NURS 4608 w/C or better AND NURS 4714 w/C or better)

Corequisite(s): NURS 4306, NURS 4133, NURS 4412

NURS 4608. Nursing Care of Child & Child Fam.
Nursing Care of Childbearing and Childbearing Families This course provides an integrative, family-centered approach to the care of mothers, newborns, and children. Emphasis is placed on normal and high-risk pregnancies, normal growth and development, family dynamics, common pediatric disorders and the promotion of healthy behaviors in patients. Clinical experiences provide the student an opportunity to apply theoretical concepts and implement safe patient care to mothers, newborns, and children in selected settings. Prerequisites: NURS 3314, NURS 3313, NURS 3709 with a grade of C or better. NURS 4714 may be taken concurrently with NURS 4608.

Department: Nursing
6 Credit Hours
12 Total Contact Hours
9 Lab Hours
3 Lecture Hours
0 Other Hours

Prerequisite(s): (NURS 3205 w/C or better ) AND (NURS 3300 w/C or better ) AND (NURS 3709 w/C or better)
NURS 4611. Promoting Health Along Border.
Promoting Health Along the Border (3-9-0) Focus on principles and practices of public health as applicable to community health concerns of aggregate populations along the US/Mexico border. Prerequisite: Completion of all other BSN degree requirements. NURS 4611 may be taken concurrently with NURS 4612. Nursing major fee required.
Department: Nursing
6 Credit Hours
12 Total Contact Hours
9 Lab Hours
3 Lecture Hours
0 Other Hours

NURS 4612. Acute Care Practicum.
Acute Care Practicum (2-12-0) This is course is a culminating experience in which the student applies theory to clinical practice. The student will plan, manage, coordinate and provide nursing care for a group of clients in the acute care setting, demonstrating the Board of Nurse Examiners (BNE) entry level competencies. Prerequisite: Completion of all other BSN degree requirements. NURS 4612 may be takne concurrently with NURS 4611. Nursing major fee required.
Department: Nursing
6 Credit Hours
14 Total Contact Hours
12 Lab Hours
2 Lecture Hours
0 Other Hours
Corequisite(s): NURS 4611

NURS 4614. Nurse Provider of Care/Crisis.
Nurse as Provider of Care in Crisis Events (3-9-0) Focus on nursing care of individuals/families experiencing multiple system health crises. Prerequisites: NURS 3608 and NURS 3609 each with a grade of "C" or better.
Department: Nursing
6 Credit Hours
10 Total Contact Hours
6 Lab Hours
4 Lecture Hours
0 Other Hours
Prerequisite(s): (NURS 3608 w/C or better ) AND (NURS 3609 w/C or better)
Corequisite(s): NURS 4313

Field Studies in Occupational Therapy: Physical Health (0-0-20). Full-time clinical experience in which the student applies technical competencies and theoretical constructs to the occupational therapy process with patients who have problems in the area of physical health. These experiences must be under the supervision of a registered occupational therapist (OTR). This course is graded on a credit/no credit basis. Restricted to majors: BSOT. Corequisite: OT 4645. Prerequisite: All required OT academic work and preceptorships.
Department: Nursing
6 Credit Hours
20 Total Contact Hours
0 Lab Hours
0 Lecture Hours
20 Other Hours
Corequisite(s): OT 4645

Field Studies in Occupational Therapy: Physical Health (0-0-20) Full-time clinical experience in which the student applies technical competencies and theoretical constructs to the occupational therapy process with patients who have problems in the area of physical health. These experiences must be under the supervision of a registered occupational therapist (OTR). This course is graded on a credit/no credit basis. Restricted to majors: BSOT. Corequisite: OT 4644. Prerequisite: All required OT academic work and preceptorships.
Department: Nursing
6 Credit Hours
20 Total Contact Hours
0 Lab Hours
0 Lecture Hours
20 Other Hours
Corequisite(s): OT 4644
NURS 4700. Community Health Nursing.
Community Health Nursing (3-0-8) Focus on application of the nursing process to promote wellness and manage occurrence of health care needs of individual families and community. Includes practicum. Restricted to major: NURR. Prerequisite: Department approval.

Department: Nursing
7 Credit Hours
11 Total Contact Hours
0 Lab Hours
3 Lecture Hours
8 Other Hours

NURS 4701. Multidisciplinary Health Care.
Multidisciplinary Health Care (3-0-8) Focus on primary health care with emphasis on multidisciplinary approach to individuals, families, and community problems. Planning for management of varied health problems within the community is emphasized. RNs in the RN-BSN/RN-MSN program only. Includes practicum. Restricted to major: NURR. Prerequisite: Department approval.

Department: Nursing
7 Credit Hours
11 Total Contact Hours
Lab Hours
3 Lecture Hours
8 Other Hours

NURS 4710. Nurs Care-Ind/Fam Multi-Syst.
Nursing Care of Individuals and Families Experiencing Multi-System Health Problems (3-8-0) The major emphasis of this course is on the application of the nursing process to individuals and their families experiencing multi-system health problems. Clinical practicum is provided in the college laboratory and a variety of specialty care settings in acute care agencies. Prerequisites: NURS 3770 and NURS 3771. Laboratory fee required.

Department: Nursing
7 Credit Hours
11 Total Contact Hours
8 Lab Hours
3 Lecture Hours
0 Other Hours

NURS 4711. Nurs Care-Clients in Crisis.
Nursing Care of Clients in Crisis (3-8-0) The major focus is application of the nursing process in the care of individuals, families and groups experiencing potential or actual crisis. Emphasis is on psycho-social concepts related to mental health. Clinical practicum is provided in a variety of settings. Restricted to major: NURS. Prerequisites: NURS 3770 and NURS 7371. Laboratory fee required.

Department: Nursing
7 Credit Hours
11 Total Contact Hours
8 Lab Hours
3 Lecture Hours
0 Other Hours

NURS 4714. Adult Health Nursing II.
Adult Health Nursing II This course focuses on the care of adult and older adult patients with complex medical and/or surgical health alterations. Emphasis is placed on the nursing care of patients with alterations in selected body systems: cardiovascular, respiratory, renal/urinary, and neurosensory. Management of acid-base disorders, toxic ingestions, and hemodynamic monitoring will also be addressed. Concepts of health promotion, health education, evidence-based practice, and interdisciplinary collaboration, patient centered care, cultural sensitivity, informatics, safe practice, and professionalism will be integrated throughout the course. Clinical experiences provide the student an opportunity to apply theoretical concepts and implement safe care to patients and selected groups in a variety of settings.

Department: Nursing
7 Credit Hours
7 Total Contact Hours
.5 Lab Hours
4 Lecture Hours
2.5 Other Hours

Prerequisite(s): (NURS 3205 w/C or better AND NURS 3300 w/C or better AND NURS 3709 w/C or better)

Corequisite(s): NURS 4608
NURS 4771. Nursing Leadership/Management.
Nursing Leadership and Management (3-8-0) Concepts of nursing leadership and management are studied as a part of the health care professional’s preparation for practice. Clinical practicum is provided in the care of groups of clients and families in acute care settings. Restricted to major: NURS. Prerequisites: NURS 4710 and NURS 4711. Fees required.
Department: Nursing
7 Credit Hours
11 Total Contact Hours
8 Lab Hours
3 Lecture Hours
0 Other Hours

NURS 4772. Primary Care Nursing.
Primary Care Nursing (3-8-0) This course is a culminating experience focusing on meeting the health needs of the individual, the family, and the community. Practicum includes the nurse’s role in primary care settings. Prerequisites: NURS 4711 and NURS 4710. NURS 4771 may be taken concurrently with NURS 4772. Restricted to major: NURR and NURS.
Department: Nursing
7 Credit Hours
11 Total Contact Hours
8 Lab Hours
3 Lecture Hours
0 Other Hours

NURS 4810. Provider Care in Crisis Events.
Provider of Care in Crisis Events (4-12-0) Focus on nursing care of individuals/families experiencing multiple system health crises. Prerequisites: NURS 3608 and NURS 3609, each with a grade of C or better.
Department: Nursing
8 Credit Hours
16 Total Contact Hours
12 Lab Hours
4 Lecture Hours
0 Other Hours